Course Outline: REM 602.

REM 602: Professional Planning Practice

Instructor: Thomas Gunton Date: Spring 2016 Class Times: Thursdays 230-630 in TASC 2 7520 Prerequisites: In the planning stream and completion of two terms in REM

A. Course Description

This course is designed as a seminar course for second year REM students in the planning stream. The objective of this course is to provide students with professional planning practice experience. The course consists of two options described below. Potential internship opportunities for option 1 are provided in the attached appendix.

B. Option 1: Internship

| Assignment | Description and Requirements | |
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| Planning Internship | Complete minimum 80 hours of internship with a | |
| | practicing professional planner. The internship will be chosen by the student. Internship | |
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| | scheduling will be flexible in order to meet the | |
| | needs of the student and agency. | |
| Requirements | 1. Submit internship proposal form for | |
| | approval (see proposal approval form). | |
| | 2. Submit internship activity log (see | |
| | internship activity log form) to the instructor. | |
| | This form is completed by the intern and is | |
| | signed by the intern supervisor. This form is | |
| | submitted two times: 1. half way through the | |
| | internship (progress report) and 2. on | |
| | completion of the internship. | |
| | 3. (Prepare power point presentation (max 15 slides) on internship experience (description, lessons learned) | |

Steps in Option 1 Internship

| Ste | р | Recommended Completion Date* |
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| 1. | Identify the internship you are interested (see attached list for suggestions). | October 26 |
| 2. | Send your choice to course instructor for approval. | October 26 |
| 3. | Send the standard introductory letter by email to the contact person. | October 31 |
| 4. | Contact the contact person by phone to confirm whether opportunity is available and if it meets your needs. | November 2 |
| 5. | Submit the internship proposal form to instructor for approval. | December 1 |
| 6. | Submit activity log progress report form | March 1 |
| 7. | Submit final activity log form at end of the internship. | April 8 or on completion |
| 8. | Provide presentation on internship experience. | April 8 |

* students may complete these steps anytime prior to these dates

C. Option 2: Planning Project Workshop

| Assignment | Description | |
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| Planning project | Students will choose a planning project and will | |
| | work in a group or individually to prepare a report | |
| | submitted to the instructor. | |
| Requirements | 1. Submit project proposal for final approval | |
| | by instructor by January 7. | |
| | 2. Submit project draft project by March 18. | |
| | 3. Make project presentation to class | |

Steps in Option 2

| Step | Date Deadlines* |
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| Identify project | November 16 |
| Send your choice to course instructor for approval. | November 16 |
| Submit project workplan with milestones | January 7 |
| Commence work | January 7 |
| Submit draft report | March 18 |
| Submit final project report | April 8 |